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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed April 20, 2006, and with a petition and a one-month extension of time fee to extend the due date to Monday, August 21, 2006, the Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for the Examiner's consideration.

Amendments to the Claims being on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being faxed to telephone number (571) 273-8300, Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop Amendment, Attn. Examiner Son, GPO 2135, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 21, 2006.

August 21, 2000
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